

# House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1053)

H.R. 1020, to define STEM education to include computer science, and to support existing STEM education programs at the National Science Foundation. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–59)

H.R. 1624, to amend title I of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to revise the definition of small employer. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–60)

H.R. 2617, to amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to reduce a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–61)

S. 136, to amend chapter 21 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that fathers of certain permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be included with mothers of such veterans as preference eligibles for treatment in the civil service. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–62)

S. 139, to permanently allow an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–63)

S. 261, to designate the United States courthouse located at 200 NW 4th Street in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as the William J. Holloway, Jr. United States Courthouse. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–64)

S. 565, to reduce the operation and maintenance costs associated with the Federal fleet by encouraging the use of remanufactured parts. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–65)

S. 994, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the “Staff Ser-

geant Joseph D’Augustine Post Office Building”. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–66)

S. 1707, to designate the Federal building located at 617 Walnut Street in Helena, Arkansas, as the “Jacob Trieber Federal Building, United States Post Office, and United States Court House”. Signed on October 7, 2015. (Public Law 114–67)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cherry Ann Murray, of Kansas, to be Director of the Office of Science, Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of Illinois, to be Under Secretary, and John Francis Kotek, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary (Nuclear Energy), all of the Department of Energy, and Mary L. Kendall, of Minnesota, to be Inspector General, Suzette M. Kimball, of West Virginia, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, and Kristen Joan Sarri, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the persistent North Korea denuclearization and human rights challenge, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy, to hold hearings to examine the 2015 Paris international climate negotiations, focusing on the economic and environmental impacts, 2:45 p.m., SD–419.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining Legislative Proposals to Combat Our Nation’s Drug Abuse Crisis”, 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 10, the “SOAR Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 692, the “Default Prevention Act”; and H.R. 1937, the “National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2015”, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine Europe’s refugee crisis, focusing on how the United States, European Union, and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe should respond, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn Building.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 20 through October 23, 2015

## Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Ann Donnelly, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. At approximately 11 a.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination.

Following the disposition of the nomination of Ann Donnelly, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2146, Stop Sanctuary Policies and Protect Americans Act. At 2:15 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

## Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine agriculture biotechnology, focusing on Federal regulation and stakeholder perspectives, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Appropriations:* October 21, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine a review of rural development in 21st century America, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine the future of defense reform, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

October 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine global challenges, United States national security strategy, and defense organization, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on the Budget:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine reforming the Federal budget process, focusing on the need for action, 10:30 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* October 20, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cherry Ann Murray, of Kansas, to be Director of the Office of Science, Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of Illinois, to be Under Secretary, and John Francis Kotek, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary (Nuclear Energy), all of the Department of Energy, and Mary L. Kendall, of Minnesota, to be Inspector General, Suzette M. Kimball, of West Virginia, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, and Kristen Joan Sarri, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

October 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Puerto Rico, focusing on the economy, debt, and options for Congress, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* October 21, Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold an oversight hearing to ex-

amine regulatory impact analyses for Environmental Protection Agency regulations, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* October 20, to hold hearings to examine the persistent North Korea denuclearization and human rights challenge, 10 a.m., SD-419.

October 20, Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy, to hold hearings to examine the 2015 Paris international climate negotiations, focusing on the economic and environmental impacts, 2:45 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine ongoing migration from Central America, focusing on fiscal year 2015 apprehensions, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

October 22, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine improving pay flexibility in the Federal workforce, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* October 21, business meeting to consider S. 1419, to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program, S. 1436, to require the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, S. 1443, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes to integrate the employment, training, and related services from diverse Federal sources, S. 1761, to take certain Federal land located in Lassen County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Susanville Indian Rancheria, S. 1822, to take certain Federal land located in Tuolumne County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, and H.R. 387, to provide for certain land to be taken into trust for the benefit of Morongo Band of Mission Indians; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Government Accountability Office report on Indian energy development, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gary Richard Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Rebecca Goodgame Ebinger, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, Leonard Terry Strand, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, and Mark A. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 22, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2123, to reform sentencing laws and correctional institutions, and the nominations of Brian R. Martinotti, and Julien Xavier Neals, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Robert F. Rossiter, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, and Edward L. Stanton III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, 10 a.m., SD-226.